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[Following is the translation of an unsigned article in Pedoman (The Guide), Djakarta, 12 August 1960, page 2]

The officials of the state owned salt and soda factories plan to erect a mechanized salt factory capable of delivering 100,000 tons of salt annually. This boiler system plant will be able to produce 100,000 tons annually, without interruptions due to climatic conditions, as experienced by the sun evaporation process.

With the sun evaporating process, the average annual production amounts to between 300 and 350 thousand tons, while the boiler system, unaffected by climatic conditions, will be able to produce 100,000 tons.

The plans has reached the final estimate. The cost, including steam boilers, power station, and construction materials, to be purchased from the Asahi Glass Company, Ltd, of Japan, will come to approximately 11 million dollars.

This mechanized salt factory will also produce 2,100 tons of gypsum and 800 tons of magnesium hydroxide per month.

It was further explained by S. H. Moeliono of the Press and Information Section of the Basic Mining Industries that the salt shortage in various parts of the country is occasioned by transportation difficulties.

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